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THE WHITE HOUSE

The President today announced his intention to nominate Henry E. Catto, Jr., of San Antonio, Texas, to be the Representative of the United States of America to the European Office of the United Nations with the rank of Ambassador. He will succeed Francis L. Dale who will be returning to Washington in mid-July to undertake an in-depth management study pertaining to the United States role in the United Nations system and its specialized agencies.

Prior to joining the government in 1969, Mr. Catto was a partner in an insurance brokerage firm and in a real estate company in San Antonio, and served as a director and member of the Executive Committee of the Houston Post Company.

Since April, 1974, Mr. Catto has been serving as Chief of Protocol for the White House with the rank of Ambassador. He has also served as Ambassador to El Salvador from 1971 to 1973, and from 1969 to 1971 he was Deputy Representative of the United States Permanent Mission to the Organization of American States. He has also served as the United States member on the Permanent Executive Committee of Inter-American Council for Education, Science and Culture.

Mr. Catto was born on December 6, 1930, in Dallas, Texas. He received his B.A. degree from Williams College in 1952.

Mr. Catto is married to the former Jessica Oveta Hobby and they have four children. They reside in McLean, Virginia.

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